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A communication from "Citizen and
Real Estate Owner" will be published
if the writer furnishes his name.

A New Orleans lady has started a
conversation class among the ladies of
Chicago to teach them how to talk.

Nothing seems to interfere with the
free and unlimited coinage of gold
bricks in Indiana. They have a gold
brick case every month or so.

Dun's weekly review of trade says
that business begins May in better
condition than at any other time since
the break-down in May, 1892.

The Philadelphia Ledger, referring
to the Nicaragua affair, says that "the
cheapest thing the United States could
do would be to advance the money or
enter surety for its payment."

The subject of an ordinance for re-
numbering the streets is now before
the Councils. If such an ordinance is
passed provision should be made to
have the contract given to the lowest
bidder.

DO WE WANT WAR?

If the country is to believe the Wash-
ington correspondent of the Chicago
Times the conclusion is, the adminis-
tration at Washington is eager for war.
He says that if John Bull does not
want to get into a row with Uncle Sam
it will be necessary for John to walk
very straight in all his comings and
goings on the American continent.
But read what the Times has to say
on the subject:

"It is well known to those persons
who are acquainted with the inner
councils of the administration that
both President Cleveland and Sec-
retary Gresham long ago decided not
to put up with any foolishness on Eng-
land's part in American affairs. Per-
haps it is no injustice to those gentle-
men to say that nothing would please
them better than an opportunity and
pretext sufficiently wide and plausible
for engaging in a scrap of a sharp
diplomatic sort with John Bull. It
is to the credit of the President and
his Secretary of State that amid all
the jingoism with which they have
been surrounded they have not yielded
either to popular clamor or to political
temptation. The simple truth about
the matter is that a foreign complica-
tion of a really serious and threatening
nature would be very welcome to this
administration. If such a complica-
tion presents itself, with a good case
for the American end of it, Cleveland
and Gresham will embrace it with
eager enthusiasm. They are simply
waiting for a chance. They do not
expect to get such opportunity in the
Nicaraguan matter. They may get it
before the Venezuelan difficulty is
settled up."

The Richmond Dispatch from which
the above is taken adds the following:
"There is truth in these remarks. It
may be accepted as a settled fact that
any administration is very apt to be
"in favor of the next war." Whoever
expects to find Mr. Cleveland's Admin-
istration otherwise will be likely to find
himself mistaken."

This will be news to very many peo-
ple, who, up to the present time, had
not thought the administration very
warlike. But after all do we want war
with anybody or anything? It is true,
war would bring activity in the work-
shops of the country; the navy yards
and arsenals, and shipyards would be
made busy thereby, and it would go
very far towards bringing the sections
together.

THE VIRGINIAN, however, is of the
opinion that the people of this coun-
try do not want war; that President
Cleveland does not desire it. But THE
VIRGINIAN also believes that the people
of the United States will not tolerate
interference or insult or bluster from
any Government, and that any attempt
at this will meet ready opposition and
resistance, and that President Cleve-
land will be found quick to demon-
strate this. But the people nor the
President are not waiting for a chance
to go to war.

ABOUT BATTLESHIPS.

The Washington Post wants the gov-
ernment to depart from a custom some-
time since settled—to name all the new
battleships after the States, and sug-
gests that the next to be built be
named the Alabama and Kearsarge. The
The Knoxville Tribune, however, dif-
fers with the Post, and after quoting
the Post's article on the question, our
Tennessee contemporary says:

"We beg leave to differ. The fact
that the Alabama and the Kearsarge
have made for themselves the fame so
well described by the Post is the very
reason why their names should remain
sacred to those two ships. Let the
names stand for the record of the
deeds that made them famous. The
rule adopted by the department is a
good one and should not be departed
from without some very good reason,
better than those yet given."

THE VIRGINIAN coincides with the
Tribune. The Alabama and Kearsarge
will live forever in history. Should
other ships with similar names appear
in the naval records of the United
States, future history might get mixed
in dealing with the actions of the old
and the new vessels.

Reflections of a Gilded Youth.

What is it, he mused, that makes life worth the
living?
Is it endless receiving and spending or giving?
Is it hollies, gingerbread, horses and yachts,
flaming pennies to drop in all possible ways?
Is it haste and get there, the cents for trade
and commercial combines by which fortune
are made?
I never liked that. Was it luck or mishap
That fortune without it fell into my lap?
A bowler of size has been rolled to the crown
Of a hill; I can start it and let it roll down.
If you set a great trap and within my reach
bring it,
No doubt I can jump on the bait plate and
spring it.
But the question keeps pressing what fellow
gets caught—
Whose legs the trap shuts on—who is it that's
bought?
I'm not sure, but at odd times I own I epine
That the limbs that I see held so firmly are
mine.

Must I keep to the end of the chapter, I won-
der.
This purposeless role of the idealized rounder?
It is really a good gift that snatches away
The motives for labor and substitutes play.
The fellows that do things and are things at-
tain
Their lead by hard discipline, seasoned with
pain.
Their characters grow by the sort of endeavor
That seizes on time as a slice of forever.
It begins just a little to get through my head
Why the grave Seer of Galilee meant what he
said.

To that opulent youth who disliked his advice
And went off discontented to pause and think
twice.
If the spirit's the man, what in thunder's the
use
Of indulging the senses with pains so profuse,
If the more you indulge them, then the harder
it is
For the spirit to get what is lawfully his?

Not the best behorsed drag can keep up very
far
With a tuppenny cart that is hitched to a star.
Having fun with one's money is a good thing
to do.
But how about letting it have fun with you?
Mine shall serve, not possess, and unless I can
keep
My place soul and upward, on top of my heap,
I won't that by way my defeat to acknowledge
I'll dump the whole pile on a Methodist college.
—Edwin S. Martin.

Arrested by a Dog.

Bill, a shepherd dog belonging to
Sheriff Sherry of Muncie, Ind., executed
a feat recently that was wonderful. A
couple of vagrants in jail broke away as
a crowd was being taken to the work-
house. Sherry ran after one of them.
The officer was surprised when a police-
man marched the other one back soon
afterward. The dog had seen his master
chase one of the men, and he took after
the other, who ran in an opposite direc-
tion. In the courthouse yard the dog
jumped at the man's throat, finally set-
ting his teeth in the prisoner's coat and
vest collar, pulling him down and hold-
ing him. A crowd ran to the man's res-
cue, thinking a mad dog had him, but a
policeman recognized Bill and took the
runaway back to jail. Bill will have a
collar presented to him inscribed with
an account of his exploit. —Chicago Trib-
une.

Only Fierce For His Country.

Guillermo Moncada, one of the Cuban
insurgent leaders, said to be now dead,
was a negro, black as coal, of huge sta-
ture and vast strength. He is described
as being as gentle as a woman in his
ordinary disposition, and to gain mere
private ends would not hurt a fly. It
was only when fighting for Cuban inde-
pendence that he became fierce and war-
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